Minutes of the Special Town Meeting – July 18, 2016

The meeting was re-called to order by Moderator Keith Billian at 7:30 PM at the King Philip High School auditorium.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Finance Committee Member, Arthur Robison.

Mark Keilan was appointed as teller. Mr. Robison motioned to waive the reading of the Special Town Meeting warrant. Passed.

There were 25 registered voters in attendance. Mr. Billian asked the Town Clerk if the warrant was properly posted and if the motions were properly submitted.

TOWN MEETING ARTICLE

MOVE that the Town:

(1) rescind the action taken under Article 14 of the 2016 Annual Town Meeting, which appropriated funds for the purpose of repair and replacement of the Delaney-Vogel Elementary School Roof subject to a debt exclusion vote under G.L c. 59, § 21C (“Proposition 2½”), and, in lieu thereof;

(2) appropriate the amount of one million seven hundred ninety five thousand four hundred and seventy-five ($1,795,475) Dollars for the purpose of paying costs of the Delaney-Vogel Elementary School Roof Replacement Project including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto (the “Project”), which proposed repair project would materially extend the useful life of the school and preserve an asset that otherwise is capable of supporting the required educational program, and for which the Town may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (“MSBA”), said amount to be expended under the direction of the Wrentham School Committee. To meet this appropriation the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow said amount under M.G.L. Chapter 44, or pursuant to any other enabling authority. The Town acknowledges that the MSBA’s grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the Town incurs in excess of any grant approved by and received from the MSBA shall be the sole responsibility of the Town; provided further that any grant that Town may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) Forty Six and Fifty Eight hundredths percent (46.58%) of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA; and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this vote shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement that may be executed between the Town and the MSBA.

Passed unanimously.

Mr. Keilan made a motion to adjourn the Special Town Meeting sine die at 7:38 PM. Passed.

A True Copy, Attest:  

Cynthia L. Thompson, Town Clerk